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PETITION TO NULLIFY TERMINAL DISCLAIMER UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182

Applicant respectfully requests that the Terminal Disclaimer of February 25, 2005 be withdrawn, thus effecting its nullification prior to issuance of the instant patent application.

Applicant has noticed that the Terminal Disclaimer of February 25, 2005 erroneously includes a reference to US Patent No. 6,246,784, but rightly includes reference to US Patent Nos. 6,083,162, 5,782,762, and 6,694,163. Applicant is submitting herewith a corrected terminal disclaimer that omits reference to US Patent No. 6,246,784 and maintains the references US Patent Nos. 6,083,162, 5,782,762, and 6,694,163.

(Incidentally, omission of reference to US Patent No. 6,246,784 does not extend the term of the instant application, because the term of the instant application is shortened to a greater extent by disclaimer over US Patent No. 5,782,762, which remains in the accompanying corrected Terminal Disclaimer.)

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